

# CIBA-GEIGY

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Action:

VERBAL APPROVAL OF  
EXTENSION on 10-15-91  
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Mr. Frank Battaglia  
Project Manager  
USEPA Region I  
Waste Management Building  
90 Canal Street  
Boston, MA 02114

RE: CIBA-GEIGY CORPORATION - CRANSTON SITE RFI  
**Request For An Extension**

Dear Mr Battaglia:

Ciba-Geigy requests that a **two week extension** for submittal of the Cranston RCRA Facility Investigation Interim Report be granted by the USEPA. The proposed due date will **become November 20, 1991.** This letter presents a detailed justification for the extension needed and describes the impact that the extension would have on future project phases.

Due to the large volume of data to be generated during the RCRA Facility Investigation, a decision was made early on to customize a database for this project. Over the life of the project this database will allow the data to be queried in such a way which will prove invaluable to remediation efforts. Unfortunately, the initiation period of such a system requires the resolution of many glitches.

The software vendor has encountered much difficulty in developing customized reports for summarizing and presenting the data. When it became apparent that the vendor could not meet our deadline, Woodward-Clyde began tabulating the data manually both for their own interpretation of the data and for inclusion in the Interim Report. In spite of Woodward-Clyde's efforts to minimize the impact of the delay, the schedule was set back by three weeks.

At this critical time in the project, a three week delay cannot be overcome without affecting the document preparation and review. We



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believe that a two week extension will improve the quality of the document submitted to you.

It is unlikely that this extension will impact the schedule for future work plans. In fact, a document which has received a more detailed review before submittal may reduce the number of comments and questions to be addressed later.

Please contact me if you have any questions or if additional information is required.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Diane M. Leber".

Diane M. Leber  
Manager, Environmental Protection

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CC: M. Houlday - Woodward-Clyde Consultants

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 16, 1991

SUBJ: Ciba-Geigy Request For Extension - Phase I Interim Report and  
Phase II Proposal

FROM: Frank Battaglia

TO: File

On October 15, 1991, I received a letter from Diane Leber of Ciba-Geigy, requesting a 14 day extension of the due date for the Phase I Interim Report and Phase II Proposal. This document is currently due on November 6, 1991. In response to this request I contacted Diane Leber on October 16, 1991 to inform her that the request was GRANTED. The revised deadline for submittal of this document is November 20, 1991.